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Keiser University Celebrates 40th Anniversary and Graduate Accomplishments at Spring Commencement Ceremony

Over 140 graduates eligible to cross the stage

Pembroke Pines, FL –May 2017— In Keiser University's 40th year the [Pembroke Pines campus](#) will hold its spring commencement ceremony on **May 12, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.** at the Pembroke Pines City Center located at 601 SW City Center Way, in Pembroke Pines. Over 140 students are eligible to cross the stage to accept their degrees in front of their immensely proud family, friends, faculty, and campus staff.

“The staff and faculty at the Pembroke Pines campus are extraordinarily proud of the accomplishments of the graduates who will participate in this commencement ceremony. [Keiser University](#) is celebrating its 40th anniversary this year and has been a vital educational resource in the Pembroke Pines community for 13 of those 40 years,” shared Cecil Kidd, Campus President.

The valedictorian and student speaker for this graduating class is Karen Two Shoes, who earned her [Bachelor of Science degree in Dietetics and Nutrition](#). “The journey to our success is so different and so very personal for each and every one of us, along with the reasons we started this journey,” stated Ms. Two Shoes who will address her fellow classmates this Friday sharing her thoughts on success and gratitude. The salutatorian, Tiffany Roldan, has earned her [Bachelor of Science degree in Interdisciplinary Studies](#).

This year's commencement speaker is an internationally renowned child advocate, best-selling author, and former classroom teacher. Senator Lauren Book represents District 32 in the Florida Senate, where she serves as the Democratic Leader Pro Tempore and the Chair of the Environmental Preservation and Conservation Committee. Senator Book is the Founder and CEO of the Florida-based non-profit, Lauren's Kids. She received the Congressional Medal of Merit for her efforts as a child advocate. Senator Book received both her Bachelor's and Master's degrees from the University of Miami.

For 40 years, Keiser University has been a talent development leader providing over 100 doctoral through associate degrees in workforce shortage areas in Florida's targeted industries. The “students first” philosophy combines soft skills, leadership preparation, financial literacy, student support services including tutoring, writing and math labs, monitored learning gains, and convenient scheduling options for working adults.

About Keiser University: Keiser University is a private, not-for-profit University serving nearly 20,000 students offering 100 degrees at the doctoral through associate level on 18 Florida campuses, online and internationally, employing 3,800 staff and faculty. Keiser University and the Keiser Mills Foundation provide nearly \$44 million annually in need-based and academic scholarships.

Keiser University is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges to award certificates and degrees at the associate, baccalaureate, masters, specialist, and doctoral levels. Contact the Commission on Colleges at 1866 Southern Lane, Decatur, Georgia 30033-4097 or call 404-679-4500 for questions about the accreditation of Keiser University.

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